



Atty. Docket No. : LAC03 P328

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 3617
Examiner : Stormer, Russell D.
Applicant : Gregory R. Hauler
Appln. No. : 10/757,311
Filing Date : January 14, 2004
Confirmation No. : 3581
For : **WHEEL CAP AND RETAINER ASSEMBLY**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111


In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species I, Figs. 4-6 as set forth by the Examiner, with traverse. Applicant notes that independent claims 1, 17 and 33 each read on the Species as elected.

Applicants now believe the application to be in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowability is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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